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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Yoshinori NAKAYAMA

Application No.: 09/379,104

Filing Date: August 23, 1999

Title: **SCHEDULE RETRIEVAL METHOD FOR CONTROLLING  
SCHEDULES AND SCHEDULE SERVER APPARATUS WITH  
MULTISTAGEOUS IDLE-TIME RETRIEVAL MEANS**

Art Unit: 2764

Examiner: N. Nguyen

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 12, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR §1.121) dated June 22, 2001, the Amendment is hereby resubmitted in proper form, in response to the Non-Final Office Action (Paper No. 8) mailed on March 14, 2001.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please **cancel** claims 6, and 8-9 without prejudice or disclaimer, **amend** claims 10-11, and **add** claims 15-20, as follows: